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SUBJ: PORT SECURITY CLEARANCE FOR CZECHOSLOVAK VESSEL "KOSICE"

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- 1. FOREING MINISTRY INFORMED EMBASSY JANUARY 31 THAT SHIP "KOSICE" HAS ENCOUNTERED UNEXPECTED DIFFICULTY CONCERNING CARGO WHICH IT HAD PLANNED TO LOAD IN NEW ORLENAS BEGINNING FEBRUARY 3. BECAUSE OF THIS, BELGIAN CHARTERERS (FIRM BOCIMAR) HAVE INSTRUCTED SHIP TO REMAIN TEMPORARILY AT BAHAMAS AND WISH TO SEND IT TO CALL AT ALBANY, NEW YORK BETWEEN FEBRUARY 3 AND 8. MINISTRY ASKS WHETHER EXCEPTION CAN BE GRANTED TO OUR NOTIFICATION RULE IN ORDER TO PERMIT ALBANY CALL BEGINNING FEBRUARY 3.
- 2. SINCE CHARTERERS WILL HAVE TO MAKE ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS IF SHIP CANNOT CALL AT ALBANY FEBRUARY 3, REQUEST DEPARTMENT REPLY BY CLOSE OF BUSINESS TODAY. AS WE HAVE NOTED IN PAST CASES, MINISTRY AND CZECHOSLOVAK SHIPPING LINE ARE FULLY COGNIZANT OF OUR NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES, BUT SHIP'S MOVEMENTS ARE BEING DIRECTED BY WESTERN CHARTERERS.

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